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SUBJECT: MARIO SOARES

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1. HANS-JUERGEN WISCHNEWSKI, SPD BUNDESTAG MEMBER AND SENIOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS EXPERT, HAS JUST CALLED ME TO SAY THAT MARIO SOARES WILL BE IN BONN TOMORROW TO SEE THE CHANCELLOR AND OTHER SPD PARTY LEADERS. BY TELEPHONE FROM LONDON SOARES HAD INDICATED TO HIM THAT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE JUNTA, HE WISHED TO ESTABLISH SOME CONTACT WITH U.S. OFFICIALS AND REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT BE MADE TO SEE ME TOMORROW AFTERNOON. WISCHNEWSKI URGED THAT I AGREE TO RECEIVE SOARES.

2. I TOLD WISCHNEWSKI THAT I WOULD TENTATIVELY AGREE TO A QUIET MEETING WITH SOARES AT THE RESIDENCE LATE TOMORROW, BUT WOULD CHECK WITH WASHINGTON BEFOREHAND.

3. COMMENT: UNLESS DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THIS UNDESIRABLE, CONFIDENTIAL

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I WOULD PROPOSE TO RECEIVE SOARES, LISTEN TO WHAT HE

HAS TO SAY AND, WITHOUT COMMITMENT, AGREE MERELY TO
REPORT OUR CONVERSATION TO WASHINGTON, UNLESS, OF
COURSE, DEPARTMENT HAS SOME VIEWS IT WOULD LIKE TO USE
THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY TO HIM. END COMMENT.
HILLENBRAND

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